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Applicant : Boatman, Peter James  
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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004.

**Amendments to the Specification** are not being submitted at this time.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are not being submitted at this time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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